Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—332)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 6:54 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 20, 1988. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Senator Byrd in today's Record on page 24458.)

Committee Meetings

GLOBAL ATMOSPHERIC CHANGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee held hearings on the effect of global climate change on domestic forest resources and the options for offsetting CO₂ emissions, receiving testimony from F. Dale Robertson, Chief, and William T. Sommers, Director of Forest Fire and Atmospheric Sciences Research, both of the United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Gregg Marland, Staff Scientist, Oakridge National Laboratory, Department of Energy; and Gary Moll, American Forestry Association, and Daniel Dudek, Environmental Defense Fund, both of Washington, DC.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Charles G. Stalon, of Illinois, Jerry J. Langdon, of Texas, and Charles A. Trabandt, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held at noon on Tuesday, September 20.

Committee Meetings
No Committee meetings were held.

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Senate

Chamber Action
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Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2810-S. 2812, and S. Res. 475-476.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: H.R. 4526, to provide for the addition of approximately 600 acres to the Manassas National Battlefield Park, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 100-520)

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Measures Passed:

Uniform Regulatory Jurisdiction Act of 1988: Senate passed H.R. 2884, to assure the uniformity in the exercise of regulatory jurisdiction pertaining to the transportation of natural gas and to clarify that the local transportation of natural gas by a distribution company is a matter within State jurisdiction and subject to regulation by State commissions, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Lewis M. Paramore Diversion Unit: Senate passed H.R. 517, to designate Soldier Creek Diversion Unit in Topeka, Kansas, as the "Lewis M. Paramore Diversion Unit".

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Bankruptcy Law: Senate passed S. 1863, to amend the bankruptcy law to provide for special revenue funds, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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Nuclear Waste Policy Act: Senate passed S. 2800, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 with respect to the Office of the Nuclear Waste Negotiator and the Monitored Retrievable Storage Commission.

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Zuni-Cibola National Historical Park: Senate passed S. 2162, to provide for the establishment of the Zuni-Cibola National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Byrd (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 3169, to clarify the fact that lands included within the boundary of the park are to be subject to a leasehold interest and not acquired in fee for inclusion in the park.

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Intellectual Property and Bankruptcy Protection Act: Senate passed S. 1626, to keep secure the rights of intellectual property licensors and licensees which come under the protection of title 11 of the United States Code, the bankruptcy code, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substi-

tute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Byrd (for DeConcini) Amendment No. 3170, of a technical nature.

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Private Relief Bill: Senate passed S. 1919, for the relief of Michael Wilding, after agreeing to a Byrd (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3171, to waive section (a)(23) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, relating to a grounds for exclusion.

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Minimum Wage Restoration Act of 1988: Senate continued consideration of S. 837, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, to restore the minimum wage to a fair and equitable rate, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute and amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

(1) Hatch Amendment No. 3040, to provide for a new hire wage.

(2) Kennedy Modified Amendment No. 3041 (to Amendment No. 3040), of a perfecting nature.

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A second motion was entered to close further debate on the committee substitute for the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, September 23.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments proposed thereto on Thursday. September 22.

Methanol and Alternative Fuels Promotion Act—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 1518, to amend the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act, to provide for the appropriate treatment of methanol and ethanol.

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Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act: Senate concurred in the House amendment to S. 496, to amend title 5 of the United States Code, to ensure privacy, integrity, and verification of data for computer matching, to establish Data Integrity Boards within Federal agencies, with a Dole (for Cohen and Levin) Amendment No. 3172, in the nature of a substitute of the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment of the House.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. 333), Lauro F. Cavazos, of Texas, to be Secretary of Education.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Malcolm M.B. Sterrett, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Routine lists of Air Force, Army and Navy nominations.

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Appointment by the Presiding Officer:

Commission on Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Salaries: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with Public Law 90-206, appointed Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., of Maryland, to the Commission on Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Salaries.

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Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

Textile and Apparel Trade Act: S. 549, to remedy injury to the United States textile and apparel industries caused by increased imports.

Great Lakes Shoreline Mapping Act of 1987 Marine Science, Technology and Policy Development Act of 1987: H.R. 3017, to provide for the enhanced understanding and wise use of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes resources by strengthening the national sea grant college program through the establishment of a strategic research program and other means.

Department of Defense Enhanced Transfer Authority: S. 2374, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to transfer between accounts a limited amount of funds appropriated for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1989.

Limitation on Obligation of Unauthorized Defense Appropriations: S. 2375, to amend title 10, United States Code, to impose certain limitations on the obligation of unauthorized appropriations for the Department of Defense.

Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program: S. 2415, to provide that surplus dairy products should be provided to carry out the temporary emergency food assistance programs before certain dairy export programs, to extend such dairy export programs and such food assistance program.

Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act: S. 2613, to enhance the competitiveness of American industry.

National Visiting Nurse Associations Week: H.J. Res. 576, designating February 19-25, 1989, as "National Visiting Nurse Associations Week."

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Task Force on Economic Adjustment and Worker Dislocation: S. 538, to implement the recommenda-

tions of the Secretary of Labor's task Force on Economic Adjustment and Worker Dislocation.

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Federal Education Programs: S. 406, to provide additional Federal education programs designed to strengthen competitiveness of American industry.

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Technology Competitiveness: S. 907, to further United States technological leadership by providing for support by the Department of Commerce of cooperative centers for the transfer of research in manufacturing.

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Agricultural Competitiveness and Trade: S. 512, to promote the export of United States agricultural commodities and the products thereof.

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National Bureau of Standards Authorizations: H.R. 2160, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of Commerce for the programs of the National Bureau of Standards for fiscal year 1988.

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Maritime Programs Authorizations: S. 800, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1988 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation and the Federal Maritime Commission.

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Price-Anderson Act Amendments Act: S. 748, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, to establish a comprehensive, equitable, reliable, and efficient mechanism for full compensation of the public in the event of an accident resulting from activities undertaken under contract with the Department of Energy.

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Price-Anderson Act Amendments: S. 1865, to amend the Price-Anderson provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to extend and improve the procedures for the protection of the public from nuclear accidents.

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Drought Assistance: S. 2631, to provide drought assistance to agricultural producers.

Page 24584 Messages From the President: Page 24537 Messages From the House: Page 24537 Measures Ordered Placed on Calendar: Page 24537 Statements on Introduced Bills: Page 24538 Amendments Submitted: Page 24547 Additional cosponsors: Page 24540 **Authority for Committees:** Page 24576 Notices of Hearings: Page 24576 Additional Statements: Page 24576 Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—333)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 6:25 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, September 22, 1988. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Senator Byrd in today's Record on page 24597.)

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2614, to provide for improved coordination of national scientific research efforts and to provide for a national plan to improve scientific understanding of earth systems and the effect of changes on the climate and human well-being, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2810, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1989 through 1993 for the Marine Mammal Protection

Act, with amendments;

S. 2761, authorizing funds to carry out title III of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act; with amendments. (As approved by the committee, the bill authorizes \$3 million for fiscal year 1989, \$3.5 million for fiscal year 1990, \$4 million for fiscal year 1991, and \$4.5 million for fiscal year 1992.);

S. 2408, to transfer the Coast Guard Cutter Ingham to the Naval and Marine Museum at Patriots Point, South Carolina:

S. 2746, to provide that a certain percentage of the funds authorized for research, development, and engineering of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act will be used for long-term research in the relationship between human factors and air safety, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2047, to require health warning labels on containers of alcoholic beverages, with an amendment

in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2549, to encourage States to establish measures for more effective enforcement of laws to prevent drunk driving, with amendments;

H.R. 2032, to authorize the conveyance of the vessel *Lane Victory* to a nonprofit organization for use as a merchant marine memorial museum;

S. 2777, to authorize a certificate of documenta-

tion for the vessel Gipsey;

H.R. 4399, to revise insurance requirements for persons licensed to provide satellite launch services and to make other changes relating to commercial access to space, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of R. Kent Burton, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Atmos-

phere and Deputy Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, Leslee K. Alexander, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Thomas C. Griscom, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Communications Satellite Corporation, and routine lists of Coast Guard nominations.

Also, the committee failed to approve for reporting an original bill to revise certain provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act to provide additional protection for captive rail shippers and to promote competition within the rail industry.

U.S. FOREIGN COMMERCIAL SERVICE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Foreign Commerce and Tourism concluded oversight hearings to review activities of the U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service, after receiving testimony from Virginia Governor Gerald L. Baliles, Richmond; W. Allen Moore, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; Donald R. Loso, Regional Managing Director (St. Louis, Missouri), Department of Commerce; William Archey, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Janice McEntee, California World Trade Commission, both of Washington, DC.

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2667, to establish a national energy policy to reduce the generation of carbon monoxide and trace gases in order to slow the pace and degree of atmospheric warming and global climate change, focusing on titles XIV, XV, and XVI, and the relationship of international deforestation and development policies to global atmospheric change, after receiving testimony from Richard E. Bissell, Assistant Administrator for Program and Policy Coordination, Agency for International Development; Robert J. McNeal, Manager, Tropospheric Chemistry Program, Earth Sciences and Applications Division, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Lester Brown, Worldwatch Institute, Robert Repetto, World Resources Institute, and David A. Wirth, Natural Resources Defense Council, all of Washington, DC; and Henry Breck, New York, New York.

CHESAPEAKE BAY AGREEMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Environmental Protection concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of programs for the protection of the Chesapeake Bay as contained in the Chesapeake Bay Agreement of 1987, after receiving testimony from Lee M. Thomas, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Vir-

ginia Governor Gerald L. Baliles, Richmond; Maryland Governor William Donald Schaefer, Annapolis; Mayor Marion Barry, Washington, DC; Virginia Delegate W. Tayloe Murphy, Jr., on behalf of the Chesapeake Bay Commission, and Richard N. Burton, Virginia Water Control Board, both of Richmond; William C. Baker, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Annapolis; and Robert V. Percival, University of Maryland School of Law, Baltimore.

ORGAN TRANSPLANT TRUST FUND

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Taxation and Debt Management concluded hearings on S. 2409, to allow taxpayers entitled to an income tax refund to designate all or any portion of their refund as a contribution to the National Organ Transplant Trust Fund, after receiving testimony from Senator Bumpers; Representative Walgren; Sherry Clifton, Silver Spring, Maryland; Thomas E. Starzl, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Goran Klintmalm, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, Texas.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Charles A. Gillespie, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

WAR POWERS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Special Subcommittee on War Powers resumed hearings to review the War Powers Resolution of 1973, (P.L. 93–148), receiving testimony from Abram Chayes, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, former Legal Adviser, Department of State; Thomas Franck, New York University School of Law, New York, New York; Morton H. Halperin, American Civil Liberties Union, and Center for National Security Studies, Washington, DC; and Ron Rotunda, University of Illinois College of Law, Urbana.

Hearings continue on Friday, September 23.

DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 2298, to promote the development of degradable plastics technology and private sector markets through the procurement of degradable plastic products by the General Services Administration, receiving testimony from Senators Conrad and Bond; Flora H. Milans, Associate Director, Resources Community and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; James L. DeProspero, Jr., Assistant Commissioner for Commodity Management, Federal Supply Services, General Services Administration; J. Winston Porter, Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Re-

sponse, and Sylvia Lowrance, Director, Office of Solid Waste, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; Robert W. Long, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Science and Education; Steve Wentworth, Oreana, Illinois, on behalf of the National Corn Growers Association; Wayne Bennett, Lonoke, Arkansas, on behalf of the American Soybean Association; Albert M. Manville II, Washington, DC, on behalf of the Defenders of Wildlife, and the Entanglement Network Coalition; David S. Buckner, Illinois State Department of Energy and Natural Resources, Springfield; Thomas J. Galvin, ICI Americas, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware; Thomas G. Byrer, Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio; Peter P. Hanik, Quantum Chemical Corporation, Rolling Meadows, Illinois, on behalf of the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.; and George A. Makrauer, Amco Plastics Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered the following business items favorably reported:

S. Res. 473, to provide additional funding for the Select Committee on Indian Affairs' Special Committee on Investigations;

An original resolution to carry the impeachment proceedings against U.S. District Judge Alcee L. Hastings over to the 101st Congress;

S. Res. 472, to authorize the printing as a Senate document of the history of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources in connection with its 172nd anniversary and in observance of the Bicentennial of the United States Senate;

S. Con. Res. 137, to authorize the National Council of Returned Peace Corps Volunteers to use the Capitol Rotunda to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the death of President John F. Kennedy;

An original resolution to amend Rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide for a two-year funding authorization for Senate committees beginning on March 1 of the first session of a Congress, and to authorize the Committee on Rules and Administration to report an omnibus funding resolution containing all committee authorizations;

Also, the committee approved a Report on Senate Operations, to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Senate.

VA HEALTH-CARE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the adequacy of available funds and personnel for the Veterans' Administration health-care system, after receiving testimony from Daniel H. Winship, Associate Deputy Chief Medical Director, and Robert Dunn, Assistant Director for Budget Formulation, both of the Veterans' Administration;

Roger Des Prez, Nashville VA Medical Center. Nashville, Tennessee, on behalf of the Association of Veterans' Administration Chiefs of Medicine: Thomas W. Kiernan, Huntington VA Medical Center, Huntington, West Virginia, on behalf of the National Association of Veterans' Administration Chiefs of Staff; Claudette Morrissev, Brooklyn VA Medical Center, Brooklyn, New York, on behalf of the Nurses Organization of the Veterans' Administration; Paul W. Schafer, on behalf of the National Association of Veterans' Administration Physicians, and John Sturdivant and Mary McCarte, both on behalf of the American Federation of Government Employees, all of the Washington, DC. VA Medical Center; and Marie Winslow, National Federation of Federal Employees, Washington, DC.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 5332-5336; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 659, and H. Con. Res. 367 and 368 were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 4748, to amend the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970 to provide for drug and alcohol testing for railroad employees, amended (H. Rept. 100-940);

H.R. 4039, to disclaim any right, title, or interest of the United States in certain lands in the State of California which form a part of the right-of-way granted by the United States to the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, and to declare that those lands have been abandoned by the railroad, amended (H. Rept. 100–941); and

H.R. 4182, to authorize the establishment of the Zuni-Cibola National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico, amended (H. Rept. 100-942).

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Suspensions: House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

James J. Howard Veterans' Clinic: H.R. 4535, to designate the outpatient clinic of the Veterans' Administration to be located on New Jersey State Route 70 in Brick Township, New Jersey, as the "James J. Howard Veterans' Outpatient Clinic";

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Corregidor Pacific War Memorial: H.R. 4948, amended, to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to restore, operate, and maintain the Pacific War Memorial and other historical and me-

morial sites on Corregidor in the Republic of the Philippines;

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Location of executive agencies: H.R. 2524, amended, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1959 to permit certain executive agencies to have their headquarters located anywhere in the National Capital region;

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Judiciary office building: S. 1934, amended, pursuant to the report ordered by Public Law 99-229 which directed the Architect of the Capitol and the Secretary of Transportation to undertake a study of the needs of the Federal judiciary for additional Federal office space, and to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to contract for the design and construction of a building adjacent to Union Station in the District of Columbia to house agencies offices in the judicial branch of the United States;

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OPIC amendments: H.R. 5263, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 with respect to the activities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and to make supplemental authorizations of appropriations for the Board of International Broadcasting;

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John Foster Dulles contributions: S. Con. Res. 102, to express the sense of the Congress regarding the contributions of John Foster Dulles in international affairs—clearing the measure;

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USIA films release: S. 2365, amended, authorizing the release of eighty-six United States Information Agency films with respect to the Marshall plan. Agreed to amend the title;

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French Revolution bicentennial: S.J. Res. 317, amended, commemorating the bicentennial of the French Revolution and the Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen;

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International Boundary and Water Commission: H. Con. Res. 344, commending the International Boundary and Water Commission for its efforts during the past one hundred years to improve the social and economic welfare of the United States and Mexico and to improve good relations between our two countries;

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Railroad drug abuse prevention: H.R. 4748, amended, to amend the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970 to provide for drug and alcohol testing for railroad employees. The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as might be necessary in the engrossment of the bill;

Pages 24631, 24634

Health professions reauthorization: H.R. 4983, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend programs with respect to health research and teaching facilities and training of professional health personnel. Agreed to amend the title;

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Mentally ill protection and advocacy: H.R. 5155, amended, to amend the Protection and Advocacy for Mentally Ill Individuals Act of 1986 to reauthorize appropriations for activities under such Act. Subsequently, this passage was vacated and S. 2393, a similar Senate-passed bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed. Agreed to amend the title of the Senate bill;

Pages 24647, 24705

FIFRA amendments: S. 659, amended, to establish agricultural aid and trade missions to assist foreign countries to participate in United States agricultural aid and trade programs. Agreed to amend the title;

Natural Disaster Reduction Decade: H. Con. Res. 290, supporting the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction by endorsing the establishment of a United States Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction:

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Superconductivity and competitiveness: H.R. 3048, amended, to establish a national Federal program effort in close collaboration with the private sector to develop as rapidly as possible the applications of superconductivity to enhance the Nation's economic competitiveness and strategic well-being;

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Older aircraft research: H. Res. 450, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the Federal Aviation Administration should immediately establish a research and development program to study structural fatigue, wear, corrosion and damage to aircraft resulting from age and intensive utilization and to conduct non-destructive and destructive testing of older aircraft on a regular basis;

Aviation safety research: H.R. 4686, amended, to amend the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 relating to aviation research:

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Controller performance research: H.R. 3779, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct research into the consequences for the air traffic control system of automation of such system;

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Recreation and public purposes amendment: H.R. 4362, amended, to amend section 3 of the Act of June 14, 1926, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869-2), to authorize the

issuance of patents with a limited reverter provision of lands devoted to solid waste disposal;

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Dinosaur Monument entry: S. 1927, amended, to provide for the consideration by the Secretary of the Interior of a desert land entry in the vicinity of Dinosaur National Monument;

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Zuni-Cibola Park: H.R. 4182, amended, to authorize the establishment of the Zuni-Cibola National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico;

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California railroad lands: H.R. 4039, amended, to disclaim any right, title, or interest of the United States in certain lands in the State of California which form a part of the right-of-way granted by the United States to the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, and to declare that those lands have been abandoned by the railroad. Agreed to amend the title; and

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Pinelands Reserve visitors center: S. 1165, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide for the development and operation of a visitor and environmental education center in the Pinelands National Reserve, in the State of New Jersey.

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Suspensions—Votes Postponed: House completed all debate on motions to suspend the rules and pass the following measures, on which votes were postponed until Thursday, September 22:

Veterans' health-care programs: H.R. 5114, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve programs for the recruitment and retention of health-care personnel of the Veterans' Administration, and to extend certain expiring programs of the Veterans' Administration; and

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Biological diversity protection: H.J. Res. 648, amended, to encourage increased international cooperation to protect biological diversity.

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AIDS Policy Act: House completed all general debate on H.R. 5142, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish grant programs, and confidentiality protections, relating to counseling and testing with respect to acquired immune deficiency syndrome; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments are scheduled to begin on Thursday, September 22.

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Referral: One Senate-passed measure was referred to the appropriate House committee.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at noon and adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East held a hearing on Recent Developments in Europe. Testimony was heard from Rozanne L. Ridgway, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Canadian Affairs, Department of State.

HEALTH CARE IN THE 21st CENTURY

Select Committee on Aging: Held a hearing on Health Care in the 21st Century: Who will be there to Care? Testimony was heard from Robert Helms, Assistant Secretary, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Joint Meeting

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Conferees met in closed session on H.R. 4781, appropriating funds for fiscal year 1989 for the Department of Defense, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2813-S. 2825, S. Res. 447-480, S.J. Res. 382 and 383, and S. Con. Res. 143.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1272, to withdraw certain public lands in Eddy County, New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 100-552)

S. 1554, to provide Federal assistance and leadership to a program of research, development and demonstration of renewable energy and energy conservation, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 100–523)

S. 2380, to amend the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 100-524)